

City of SeattleOffice of Housing

TO: Councilmember Nick Licata, Chair, Housing, Human Service, Health, & Culture

Committee

Councilmember Sally Bagshaw Councilmember Bruce Harrell Councilmember Tom Rasmussen

FROM: Rick Hooper, Director

DATE: September 21, 2012

SUBJECT: Ft. Lawton legislation

A proposed ordinance is scheduled to come before the Committee on September 26, 2012, relating to Ft. Lawton. It would accept grant funding in the amount of \$55,550 from the Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) to be used to update the market study, financial models, and other assumptions on which planning work conducted back in 2008 was based.

Recently we submitted a grant application to the OEA; we have received notice from OEA that our grant application has been approved. In order to proceed we need Council action on an ordinance that accepts the funding and authorizes the OH Director to sign an agreement with OFA.

Grant funding will primarily be used to hire consultants to update information that will enable us to reassess feasibility. Work will be conducted over the next 3 months and then we will be able to share results early in 2013. Please let us know if you have questions.